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MEMORANDUM FOR BASE CHIEFS

10 July 1950

FROM : Chief of Station, Karlsruhe

SUBJECT: Evacuation Plan

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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
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NAZI WAR CRIMES DISCLOSURE ACT
DATE 2007

1. The bearer of this letter has been given the mission of briefing you on development of our plans for emergency evacuation, and has been asked to collect certain data which will be necessary for us to have in order to firm up the plan.

2. It is presently planned that there will be three separate stages of alert if, by intelligence means, EUCOM is able to anticipate hostilities well in advance of an open break. The lowest stage is a simple alert which, for all practical purposes, is covert. Under simple alert, tactical units will perform certain necessary functions that will not upset the daily routine of occupation living.

3. The reinforced alert is not covert. The movement of units and the transfer of supplies intended to increase the defensive capabilities of the U.S. forces will be handled boldly and speedily. Certainly, every wide-awake German will be aware that the U.S. Army is on alert.

4. Under full alert U.S. forces will be committed irrecoverably to combat status.

5. Independent of the three stages of alert is the non-combatant evacuation order (NEO). Depending on circumstances, the NEO can be given at any time during the developing crisis.

6. Obviously, if a hostile attack is mounted under conditions of complete surprise, the three alert stages and the NEO will boil down to one action.

7. When the NEO is given, American dependents and female personnel will be evacuated in accordance with Post regulations. After accomplishing this, you will immediately assemble personnel to be evacuated as part of your unit, put your transportation in order and prepare your files for destruction. If, for any reason, it is believed desirable that you delay your departure for a period of hours or days after the NEO is issued, we will notify you to that effect. It is just possible that the NEO will be issued at a very early stage of the crisis and that we will not want to discontinue operations in Germany until a later date.

8. The information we will need in order to complete our arrangements with EUCOM is as follows:

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a. The size of the movement, i.e. American civilians, officers and enlisted men, aliens, and number of vehicles.

b. The Military Posts or Sub-posts involved.

c. Time required to load.

d. The name of our senior officer in the area.

Thus, for example, MOB will move as part of Munich Post, Regensburg Sub-post and Augsburg Post, and possibly other sub-posts. The above statistics should, therefore, be broken down according to the location of individuals and transportation in these various areas, and the name of our local senior officer should be given. In areas where no American representative is present, we will need the names and addresses of aliens to be evacuated by Post.

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